

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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| Address to:<br><b>Box PATENT APPLICATION</b><br>Commissioner of Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | Attorney Docket No.<br>KURO3001/EM | First Named Inventor<br>(or identifier)<br>Yoshitaka KUROKI |
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Transmitted herewith is a patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

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| Entitled: | Vacuum Cleaner |
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- ☒ 1. Submitted herewith are the following:
- 39 pages of specification, including claims and Abstract.
  - 24 sheets of FORMAL drawings (Figs. 1-23, 23A, 24B, 25- 26).
  - 23 claims.
  - 1 Oath/Declaration.
  - 1 Application Data Sheet.
  - 1 Information Disclosure Statements.
  - 1 page of Form PTO-1449, and one copy of each document listed thereon.
  - 1 certified copy of Japanese application no. 2002-308250. Priority is claimed.
  - 1 certified copy of Japanese application no. 2002-326501. Priority is claimed.
  - 1 certified copy of Japanese application no. 2003-018762. Priority is claimed.
  - 1 check in the amount of \$824 (\$770- Filing Fee; \$54- Extra Dependent Claim Fee).
- ☐ 2. SMALL ENTITY STATUS IS ASSERTED pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27 for this application.
- ☒ 3. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 02-0200.
- ☐ 4. Insert before the first sentence of the specification: - - This application claims the benefit of provisional application number \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_. - -
- ☐ 5. Insert before the first sentence of the specification: - - This application is a Continuation-in-part of nonprovisional application number \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_. - -
- ☐ 6. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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| THE FILING FEE IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:  |            |        |            | Basic Fee:                               | \$770.00 |          |
| Total Claims:   | 23         | - 20 = | 3.00       | X \$18 =                                 | \$54.00  |          |
| Independent Claims:   | 3          | - 3 =  | 0          | X \$86 =                                 | \$0.00   |          |
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|   |            |        |            | Subtotal:                                |          | \$824.00 |
|   |            |        |            | 50% Reduction if Small Entity Status:    |          | \$0.00   |
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